Key Biscayne Youth Athletics Advisory Board

Minutes for February 1, 2012 Meeting

In attendance: Glen Waldman, Jackie Kellogg, Florencia Manero, Jeff Jenkins and Bill Stephens.

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM

The board discussed the structure, functionality and lack of three (3) members to the board. The board discussed having six (6) annual meeting, and that this may result in more individuals being willing to serve. The Board would be able to call additional meeting if an issue arose that needed to be addressed between the regularly scheduled meetings.

The Board discussed the implementation of the SAAP documents. The Board found this to be a very effective way to manage the programs. The Board discussed doing the NAYS training earlier in the season with the live training. Those that were not able to attend may complete the training via the internet, but a date that all coaches must complete the training must be established and adhered to.

The Board reviewed the program surveys conducted for Tackle Football and Volleyball. The Board discussed ways to encourage participation in the surveys due the few number of respondents. It was recommended that staff provide an incentive such as a free registration for one respondent chosen randomly. Staff agreed that an incentive would be beneficial and would look to implement one in the upcoming baseball survey.

The Board discussed the issues created when coaches have their children on the team they are coaching.

The Board discussed potentially capping the enrollment of athletic teams and how this process would work. The Board also discussed creating a registration priority schedule to allow for returning players to register first, then open registration for all Key Biscayne residents and lastly opening registration to non-residents if the previously discussed cap was not reached. The Board discussed modifying the SAPP rules in accordance and reviewing prior to implementation.

The Board discussed the spring athletic season including baseball and spring soccer. The Board discussed scheduling a meeting with all of the representatives from the fall sports to coordinate the fall field schedule. The results of this meeting would be presented to the YAAB prior to implementation.

The Board discussed the current youth basketball program. The comments were that the season was progressing well and that SAPP implementation was successful, but that the NAYS training needed to be scheduled earlier to insure coach certifications.

The Board discussed adding height as criteria to the draft sheet to insure that this was a factor in addition to skill when creating teams. The Board also discussed re-evaluating players before the end of the season to create an evaluation based on the players' performance during the season. This would create a more accurate evaluation to be used the following season. Also, the Board agreed to create definitions for the criteria that are used for all drafts; therefore, the ranking would define for example "Shooting" in basketball. The definition would provide language for how a player would receive a high to low score based on their evaluation.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.